**Education of Muslim Minorities**

1648. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that educationally the Muslim Minorities are the most backward people at present in the country;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to uplift them educationally;

(c) whether Government are aware that there are less schools and more police stations and police posts in Muslim dominated areas; and

(d) if so, what steps Government are taking to open adequate number of schools/colleges in such areas?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) to (d) High Power panel on Minorities headed by Dr. Gopal Singh set-up by the Ministry of Home Affairs had identified Muslims as an educationally backward Minority. With a view to accelerate their educational development, the Government have launched during the current financial year two schemes, namely, Scheme of Area Intensive Porgramme for Educationally backward Minorities and Scheme of Financial Assistance for Modernisation of Madrasa Education.

**Central Assistance to banned Organisations**

1649. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of schools and colleges in Delhi which are being supported and run by the organisation banned by the Central Government after the demolition of Babri Mosque;

(b) whether the said schools and colleges are still getting the Central Assistance;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT OF EDUCATION & DEPTT OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA) : (a) and (b) According to information furnished by the Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi, no recognised school run by any organisation banned by Government has come to their notice. Every recognised school is run by a Managing Committee/Society whose Articles/Memorandum of Association does not state that it is linked with any other organisation. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi and New Delhi Municipal Committee have also furnished nil information regarding schools run by banned organisations.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

**Separate University for NCR**

1650. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government has taken any decision to set up a separate University for the National Capital Region; and

(b) if the reply to part (a) above be in the affirmative where the University is likely to be located and whether it will be an affiliated or a teaching University?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Strike by Central School Teachers**

1651. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central school teachers have decided to plan a country-wide strike ;

(b) if so, what are the main reason therefor;

(c) whether the teachers demanded a committee to conduct enquiries into the alleged irregularities in recruitment procedure adopted by the KVS;